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- As Managing Member of this law firm during the year 2004, I supervised the 2. notification of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office of the law firm's change of address, including the change of address associated with the patent application referenced above. This was accomplished over the course of several months beginning in approximately April 2004 and extending to approximately September 2004, and was accomplished in one or more ways.
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I certify and declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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